

Legislative Assembly, SESSION—1884.

FOURTY-FIFTH DAY.
MONDAY, JUNE 30TH.

Mr. Kamakele presented a petition from Makawao bearing 145 Signatures, relating to the payment of the national debt. Referred to Finance Committee.

Mr. Hitchcock presented a petition relating to Government lands leased by foreigners.

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Kauwila presented a remonstrance from Puna against the passage of an Act to indemnify the Ministry for any moneys they may have inappropriately spent. Laid on the table.

Mr. Kauhane presented a petition, praying for an appropriation of \$15,000 for improving the roads in the District of Kan. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands etc.

Mr. Hitchcock presented a petition, praying that the Jail and Court-house at Lapaohoe be repaired, and the salaries of the Sheriff and Jailor be increased. Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous petitions.

Mr. Nahinu presented a petition from the residents of Kona praying that the Government purchase a landing for a free delivery of freight at Hakani. Laid on the table.

Also, from citizens of Napoohoo for a public landing at that place. Referred to Committee on Public Lands etc.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Godfrey Brown Chairman of the Finance Committee reported recommending the refunding of five amounts illegally collected for taxes, amounting to \$68.25, and that the amount be included in the Appropriation bill. Report adopted.

Also, upon a bill to more fully define the payment of moneys into the Treasury. Recommending it be indefinitely postponed as the Audit act already provided all that was needed. Report adopted.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Consideration of the Appropriation Bill in Committee of the whole. Mr. J. S. Walker in the chair.

Before the Bill was taken into consideration, Mr. Pilipo pointed out the necessity of economy.

The salary of the Minister of Foreign Affairs passed as in the bill, also of the Secretary.

Mr. Kanealii moved to strike out the item of \$4000 for salary of under Secretary.

Mr. Gibson pointed out why this item was inserted. It was owing to the large increase of work so far as the Consuls are concerned.

In reply to Mr. Smith, he stated that Mr. Webb had, owing to his arduous duties, been compelled to resign his position as editor of the ADVERTISER.

Mr. Godfrey Brown moved the item of Office Expenses of Foreign Agents read \$3000.

Mr. Gibson moved it pass as in the bill, \$4,000, carried by vote of 18 to 11.

Mr. Hitchcock moved that the Incidentals of Foreign Office read \$2000 instead of \$5000. He noticed that the incidentals in nearly every department were almost double what they were before.

Mr. Aholo asked for some explanation before the Committee votes on it.

Mr. Gibson said one bill above was paid to Bancroft & Co. of \$500 for Stationery. The bill for stationery alone will exceed \$1000. Large packages are sent to all parts of the world occasionally. As to carriage hire it forms a very small portion of the amount. The expenditure properly made in the Foreign Office will exceed \$3000. Possibly \$5000 will not be all spent. Mr. Smith asked if there was any new item.

Mr. Gibson said the expense of stationery and postage is nearly double. Without considering the question of new items, the items that were customary have greatly increased.

Mr. Dole supported the motion. He believed that one Foreign Minister will increase the correspondence double of another. It was a personal matter. It is legitimate for the Assembly to see that the Foreign Office was conducted on business principles. The principles are the same. There is a tendency to increase the expenses for a certain amount of rubbish that is good for nothing. A gentleman in this city who has conducted the affairs of the Foreign Office compared the machinery of this Government to a sardine box propelled by the machinery of the Great Eastern. The Minister has not stated where the increase of expense is except that more stationery is used. Let us deal liberally and justly with all the departments, but do not let us give more money than is necessary. He would support the motion at \$3000, and he even thought that was more than was required.

Mr. Kean moved the item pass as in the bill.

Passed at \$3000.

Consideration of the Appropriation Bill.

Mr. Hitchcock moved to strike out the item of Expenses of Foreign Missions.

Mr. Gibson said he would give a few of the reasons why this provision should be made. The item was increased last session for additional service at Washington, and they had been well served. This Government had been invited to take part in the International Exhibition, and had done so.

The Government had again been so invited to take part in other international conferences, and without the appropriations they would have to withdraw from the undertaking in which they have already expressed a willingness and desire to take part.

Mr. Dole believed that international exhibitions were of great benefit to all who took part in them. He was in favor of Hawaii taking part in the New Orleans exhibition, but also favored it being appropriated under a special clause, and not under the head of Foreign Missions. With regard to looking up a new meridian, they could leave that to the great scientific countries, and accept the meridian they decide upon. To spend money on such objects was only to advertise a national pride.

Mr. W. O. Smith thought they could get along with less foreign missions, and, in his opinion, they ought to spend a little more on home missions. The Minister of the Interior might do well to go to Hamakua and look after the roads, and the President of the Board of Health might go to Kalawao.

Mr. Aholo moved it be amended to read \$20,000. They ought to have an appropriation available, as they did not know when it may be required.

Mr. Dole was not willing to put \$20,000 into the hands of this Ministry for them to spend at will, without the consent of the Privy Council. Item struck out.

Mr. Dole moved to insert an item of \$5,000 in order that this country take part in the New Orleans exhibition.

Dr. J. Mott Smith regretted the action they had taken on the item of Foreign Missions. It is an appropriation that frequently meets an emergency, and should therefore have a place in the bill. In his opinion, money appropriated for taking part in a New Orleans exhibition will redound to their injury instead of their profit. Products sent there would be received with a prejudice detrimental to this country. He thought it would be most unwise to take part in the exhibition. He could not support the motion.

Mr. W. O. Smith said that Dr. Bemiss had urged that this country be represented at New Orleans. He (Mr. S.) was in favor of the Government requesting the Minister at Washington to go there and report to them. Motion lost.

Mr. Hitchcock moved to insert "Salary of Consul at San Francisco," \$10,000. All fees to be returned into the Treasury.

Mr. Gibson said that while he admitted the propriety of inserting something of the kind, they were not in possession of sufficient information on the subject in order to carry out any just conclusion. He therefore moved it be referred to a select committee.

Mr. W. O. Smith seconded the motion. There are a great many services this official has to perform besides signing certificates. He has been of great service to this country. Motion to refer to Special Committee. Carried.

Mr. Kaulukou moved the item for the "education of youths in foreign countries" read \$30,000 instead of \$25,000, as in the bill.

Mr. Nawahi did not object to the item, but he did object to the manner in which the youths were selected to go abroad. He favored the idea of the youths being selected by a committee appointed for that purpose.

Mr. Dole was in favor of it being under the direction of the Board of Education.

Mr. Gibson said the whole of the money asked for would be required. Most favorable reports, without exception, had been received of the progress of these Hawaiian youths. It was to complete arrangements already entered into.

Mr. Bishop thought there should have been further explanation on this subject. He thought it a great mistake that youths who had had a fair English education in this country should have been sent to Italy. He had no desire to speak badly of anyone's boy, but he had heard that the youth sent to California is a dull boy, and not the kind of one that should be selected. He also understood that the expenses of education in California were comparatively large. Our means are not going to be increased. He was afraid they were entering upon hard times, and they had better keep it in mind, so that they need to be careful in all appropriations, and make the money go as far as possible for things that are useful. They could not afford anything ornamental.

Mr. W. O. Smith asked how many youths there were abroad.

Mr. Gibson said the education of these youths was not merely ornamental. One youth in Italy was a civil engineer; another was studying as an engineer in Glasgow; another has received a scientific education that would fit him for a future study of medicine. The very fact of going abroad is partly an education. All foreign parents deem it necessary to send their children abroad to complete their education. There were six in Great Britain, three in Italy, two in Japan, and one in California. In some places \$600 or \$700 a year; other places cost over \$1000 a year.

Item passed as in the bill.

Mr. Gibson moved the consideration of the items of King's Guards, Band, &c. be deferred for the present. Carried.

Mr. Kalua asked why the item of National Museum was increased in the bill?

Mr. Gibson furnished the desired explanation.

Mr. W. O. Smith moved the item read \$2000. He did not believe in borrowing money to procure what is ornamental, and not useful.

Mr. Bishop wanted to know what they were driving at in the way of a museum. A Polynesian museum was one thing, and curiosities from all parts of the world was another thing. For the present he would second the motion to make the amount \$2000.

Mr. Dole asked what the \$2800 reported spent during the last biennial period was spent for? He felt sure that it had not been spent in such a way as to show on the shelves of the Museum. A great many strangers visit that Museum, and, as a general thing, they come away disappointed. It is not a respectable Museum for this country. No collection of birds or fishes, and there has been no collection. This Museum has had an appropriation of \$1000 a year for the past eight years. The directors are not specially scientific people.

Mr. Gibson said they would probably have to pay \$10,000 alone to obtain the services of such a person. As they cannot afford the money to engage such a person, he hoped the gentleman would lend his valuable assistance in the matter in connection with the Museum.

Item passed at \$2000.

Mr. W. O. Smith moved to strike out the item of \$5000 for purchase of books for Government Library. He thought they could get along without new books for the next two years. Carried.

Mr. Kapena moved that the salary of the Government Librarian be increased to \$2400. Carried.

At 4.30 p.m. the committee rose.

The items passed were as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Salary of Minister	\$12,000
Salary of Secretary	6,000
Salary of Copyist	2,400
Office expenses of Foreign Agents	4,000
Incidentals of Foreign Office	3,000
Envoys Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Washington	12,000
Expenses incidental to Legation at Washington	5,000
Relief and return of indigent Hawaiians from abroad	1,500
Salary of Messenger	1,000
Education of Hawaiian youths in foreign countries	25,000
National Museum	2,000
Government Librarian and Curator to the Museum	2,000

FOURTY-SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, July 1st.

The House met at 1 p.m.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

PETITIONS.

Mr. Kalua presented a petition from Olowalu, praying that an extra mail carrier be engaged in the district of Lahaina. Referred to the Minister of the Interior.

Mr. Kaulukou presented a petition from Honolulu, praying that the Sisters of Charity be engaged in the various hospitals throughout the Kingdom. Laid on the table.

Also, that \$10,000 be appropriated for the purpose of extending Kukui street to Liliha street. Laid on the table.

Mr. Kalua presented a petition praying that an appropriation be made for a definite salary of Neakoala. Laid on the table.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Kaulukou read a minority report on Police, Prisons and Mounted Police. Laid on the table to be taken up with the majority report.

Mr. Smith moved that both reports be taken up with the bills in connection with the reports.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Cecil Brown read for the first time a bill relating to powers to be vested in the Deputy and Second Deputy Clerks of the Supreme Court. Passed to second reading.

Mr. Dole moved that \$1,000 be appropriated for improving the landing at Koloa, Kauai. Laid on the table to be considered with the Appropriation Bill.

Mr. Kaulukou gave notice of his intention to introduce an Act relating to the Sisters of Charity.

Mr. Kanealii introduced a resolution that several bills be taken from the table for consideration and made special order of the day for Thursday. Carried.

Mr. Kalua moved that \$2,000 be appropriated for the assistance of the seminary at Makawao.

Mr. Bishop stated that the \$2,000 appropriated for that purpose in 1882 has been paid over by the Board of Education.

Mr. Aholo moved the resolution be adopted. Carried.

Mr. Cecil Brown moved that whereas certain members of this Assembly have been appointed Tax Assessors. Resolved, they be granted leave to go to their respective districts to attend to their duties.

Mr. Brown stated that by Section 32 of the law relating to taxes, 1882, they cannot be Legislators and Tax Assessors. They must resign either one or the other. If they had any self-respect they would not have taken the office, nor would the Ministers have conferred the office upon them. It looks as though the Ministers were trying to buy their votes.

Mr. Smith said that though it had been unnoticed in times past, under the new law

it could not be. He drew attention to the Tax Assessor's notice, wherein it is stated that "all returns must be made to the Assessor not later than July 31, or no appeals can by law be granted."

If assessments are not made in July, parties may refuse to pay their taxes. Unless the assessments are made according to law, no one need pay his taxes. If taxes are to be lost by illegal assessments, they had better guard against it. He would like to ask the Attorney-General if the statement in the newspapers is law or not.

The Attorney-General—I think it is. Statements must be made in July, but it is not compulsory that the assessments be made in that month.

Mr. Kaulukou moved the resolution be indefinitely postponed.

The Attorney-General said that when returns were not made in the month of July an appeal will not lie.

Mr. Kaulukou moved the previous question. Carried.

Mr. Cecil Brown moved that Mr. Dole be allowed to reply for him.

On the motion of the Attorney-General this privilege was granted by the Assembly.

Mr. Dole said the resolution was brought before the House in no captious spirit. Here were two duties for one man to perform at the same time. Here is the Hon. Member for South Kona, he is Tax Assessor for North Kohala. No one has explained, and he simply represents nine members of the Assembly that are in the same fix. Not one has explained how tax payers shall render to the Assessor their statements and swear to the same. Are tax payers of North Kohala to come to Honolulu to make their statements to him? There is a probability of a large amount of taxes being lost to the country. The motion is simply to give the Tax Assessors the opportunity of doing their duties. Either he Minister of Finance has not read the law, or he cares not for the law, or else he thinks a man can be in two places at one time. This action of appointing Assessors from among members of this Assembly is perfectly consistent with the actions of the present Ministry. The resolution is a perfectly consistent one. It is in behalf of tax payers, and he hoped it would pass.

Motion to indefinitely postpone carried.

Mr. Dole moved that after the 13th of July no more bills be introduced into the Assembly. Carried.

The Minister of the Interior presented a reply to the resolution introduced by the Hon. Member for Lihue and Koloa, calling for correspondence, etc., in connection with the contracts for Portuguese immigration. Report referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Also, a report in reply to a resolution calling for a statement of the expenditure of road tax.

Mr. Pilipo moved it be referred to the Printing Committee. Carried.

Mr. W. O. Smith reminded the Assembly that the Committee on Public Lands had large mass of petitions and resolutions asking for appropriations for roads, bridges wharves, etc., and had not yet made any report of any kind.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

First reading of a bill to amend Chapter 31 of the Session Laws of 1882, relating to diseases among animals.

On suspension of the rules, the bill was read a second time by its title and passed to engrossment. Ordered to be read a third time on Saturday next.

At 3:15 the House adjourned until 10 a.m. on Thursday.

FOURTY-SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, July 2, 1884.

The House met at 10:15 A.M. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Nahinu presented a petition from Honolulu praying that Kakaako be illuminated. Referred to Minister of the Interior.

Mr. Pilipo, Chairman of the Printing Committee, reported that the Minister of Interior's report relating to the Government Land Sales and Leases was printed.

Also, a report relating to the privileges granted to the Oceanic Steamship Co. ordered to be distributed.

Mr. C. Brown gave notice of a bill relating to jurors.

Mr. Pilipo read for the first time a bill relating to a girls' boarding school in the District of North Kona. On suspension of the rules, the bill was read a second time by its title and referred to Committee on Education.

Mr. W. O. Smith read for the first time a bill relating to powers of Sheriffs. On suspension of the rules, the bill was read a second time by its title and passed to engrossment.

Mr. Kanealii offered a resolution that \$6.93 be inserted in the appropriation bill for the purpose of paying J. Kauhane his commission as tax collector for the district of Kan for 1882. Referred to Finance Committee.

Mr. Palohau moved that \$7,000 be appropriated for bridges, and also \$500 for improving roads in the district of Kawaihae. Laid on the table.

Mr. Amara read for the first time a bill to amend Section 386 of the Civil Code relating to fisheries. On suspension of the rules

the bill was read a second time by its title and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Kauwila offered a resolution that \$5,000 be appropriated for anchors and buoys at Pohoiki, Puna.

Mr. Kaunamano moved that \$450 be appropriated for assisting an English school at Honokaa. Referred to Committee on Education.

FOURTY-EIGHTH DAY.

THURSDAY, July 3rd, 1884.

House met at 10 A.M.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Wilder, chairman of the Sanitary Committee, reported on a petition relating to kahuna practicing without a license, recommending that the same be laid on the table. Also, on a petition relating to the appointing of a foreign doctor at Kalawao, recommending that the Board of Health place a competent resident physician thereat once.

Also, on a petition relating to the appointing of resident physicians at Waimea, Hanalei, and Koolanloa, recommending the same be referred to the Board of Health.

Also, relating to the confinement and discharge of lepers, recommending the same be laid on the table.

Also, that a magistrate be appointed for Kalawao. The Committee consider it is unnecessary.

Also, relating to the Government physician at Hana, recommending the same be referred to the Board of Health.

Also, relating to the erection of hospitals, the same be referred to the Board of Health.

Also, relating to medicines being furnished free of charge to Hawaiians. The President of the Board of Health be requested to lay before the House in printed form the instructions given to Government physicians.

The reports of the Committee on the above petitions were all adopted.

The Minister of the Interior presented a report relating to the lighting of streets. Laid on the table.

Mr. Richardson reported that it had pleased His Majesty to sign the resolution appropriating \$2,500 for Postal Money Order System with the United States.

Mr. Godfrey Brown, Chairman of a Select Committee, reported on three bills to amend Sections 38, 45, 47, 58, 67, Chapter 43, relating to internal taxes, presenting a new bill. The new bill was read for the first time, and on suspension of the rules, read a second time by its title, and referred to Revising Committee.

The Minister of the Interior in answer to a petition for a mail carrier between Lahaina and Wailuku, presented a communication from the Postmaster-General, which stated that the mail service is efficiently attended to in that district, and another mail carrier is not required.

Mr. Aholo reported on two petitions relating to intoxicating liquors recommending that the same be laid on the table.

The President read a communication from the Committee on Fourth of July, inviting the members of the Assembly to participate in the celebration by attending the exercises and also the ball. The Secretary was instructed to reply to the communication.

Mr. Gibson offered a resolution that when the Assembly adjourn to-day it adjourn over Friday, the 4th inst., until Saturday, the 5th inst., at 10 A.M., out of respect to the celebration of the independence of the Republic of America, the great and good friend of the Hawaiian Kingdom.

Mr. Cecil Brown moved as an amendment that the House adjourn until Monday. The resolution as amended was carried.

The Attorney-General gave notice of bills to prohibit the smoking of opium, to amend Chapter 30 Penal Code, relating to gaming, and also to prohibit the roaming of minors in the streets at night.

Mr. W. O. Smith gave notice of a bill to amend Chapter 29 Laws of 1882 relating to a national loan.

Mr. Cecil Brown read for the first time a Bill relating to juries. Read a second time by its title and passed to engrossment.

He also gave notice of a Bill to amend Rule 42 of the House relating to the Ministers voting. On suspension of the rules the Bill was read a first time.

At noon the House took a recess until one o'clock.

On re-assembling Mr. Dole said it was a matter of humiliation, the necessity of proposing such a resolution. It ought to be taken for granted that no circumstances would make such a resolution necessary as a rule. The question comes up in respect to the late resolution, a "want of confidence in the Ministry." The Ministers were on trial. There were 43 members without the Ministers, and it was whether these 43 had confidence in the Ministry or not. No one ever doubted the Ministers had not confidence in themselves. The vote stood equal with the President to decide, and we should have ascertained whether the policy of the Ministers was right or not. Under the technical ruling of the President it was held over to the discretion of the Ministers, and he was sorry to say they took the advantage. He would not have done so under the circumstances. It is not right for a man on trial to pass his own opinion. They should have found out what was the feeling of the House. He did not know how Ministers have acted in previous sessions. He was sorry this matter had been brought up. It